



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Hiroko Abe et al.
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MAKING CHIMERIC NUCLEIC ACIDS AND METHODS FOR PRODUCING
IMMOBILIZED POLYPEPTIDES

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PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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Respectfully submitted,

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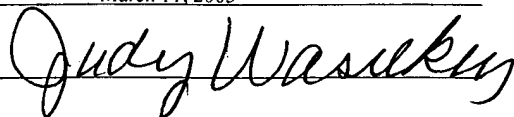
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